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APPLICANT: Celeste et al.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§1.111 AND 1.115

Sir:

In response to the official action dated January 12, 1995, Applicants provide the following amendment and response.

IN THE CLAIMS:

~~Cancel claims 1-28, and substitute the following new claims 29-41:~~

29. A DNA molecule comprising an isolated DNA sequence selected from the group consisting of:

(a) nucleotides #579 to #882 of SEQ ID NO: 1; and

(b) sequences which hybridize to (a) under stringent hybridization conditions and encode a protein which exhibits the ability to form tendon/ligament-like tissue.

30. A DNA molecule comprising an isolated DNA sequence selected from the group consisting of:

(a) nucleotides encoding for amino acids #1 to #104 of SEQ ID NO: 2; and